

SENATE RESOLUTION 62
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A RESOLUTION To honor and recognize Michael Reed Collins,
2001 Co-Salutatorian of Harpeth High School.

WHEREAS, It is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Michael Reed Collins is one such exceptional student who was recently named Co-Salutatorian of the 2001 graduating class at Harpeth High School; and

WHEREAS, Through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Michael has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, During his remarkable high school career, Michael has earned an outstanding 3.8 grade point average; and

WHEREAS, Michael Collins has earned numerous honors during his high school career, including recognition as a TSSAA Distinguished Scholar Athlete from 1998-2000, a National Student-Athlete from 1999-2000, and as a member of the National Honor Society from 1997-2001; and

WHEREAS, A highly respected leader among his peers, he has also received the Art I Honors Award and the MIS Computer Award; and

WHEREAS, A tremendously gifted individual, he was a Varsity Baseball Letterman from 1997-2001, was named All-District in Baseball in 1999-2000, and received Offensive Player of the Year honors during that same time; Michael also participated as a member of the school's Varsity Football team and Junior Varsity Basketball team, in addition to being a four-year member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes; and

WHEREAS, Michael's other sports honors include being named the Vanderbilt Testing Top Regional Athlete, the Tennessee Titans Scholar Athlete of the Week, the Region 5 2AA Football Scholar Athlete, and the Mid-Tennessee Football Officials Association Scholarship Award; and

WHEREAS, This noteworthy young man has utilized his time and considerable talents for the benefit of his community as well; among other activities, he has volunteered his time to assist in the F.C.A. Canned Food Drive, the National Honor Society's Special Olympics Food Drive and the Service Learning Community Service's Middle School Student Aid; and

WHEREAS, Michael's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, Allen and Brenda Collins, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Collins's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success in college, as he pursues a degree in Engineering and Business Management, and throughout his life; and

WHEREAS, His dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we hereby commend and honor Michael Reed Collins, 2001 Co-Salutatorian of Harpeth High School, on his impressive academic achievement and extend to him our best wishes for much happiness and every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.